

Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians
Job Posting

Job Title: FLUENT ANISHINAABEMOWIN SPEAKER AND TEACHER
Department: Gijigowi Anishinaabemowin Language Department
Reports to: Language Department Director
Status: Exempt
Salary: \$19.360-\$25.23 per hour (\$30,201.60-\$39,358.80)
Level: 6
Notes: ¾ position with fulltime benefits: 1560 hours per year, with flexible options such as 30 hrs./wk. for 52 weeks or 40 hrs./wk. for 39 weeks and summer off
Opens: March 24, 2014
Closes: April 21, 2014

SUMMARY

The Anishinaabemowin Teacher will provide instruction of Anishinaabemowin to various levels and ages of learners in efforts to revitalize the Odawa language, and will incorporate various methods as a teacher, trainer, and mentor. The Teacher will work closely with the Elder Odawa speakers, community, and staff in accomplishing the goals and objectives of the Gijigowi Language Department.

Teacher will Assist Department Staff with ESSENTIAL DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES of the Department, Including:

- Provide professional instruction in both academic and community settings.
- Assist in teaching community classes, with participants ranging from preschool, children, teen, adults, elders and families.
- Assist in teaching formal classes in high school, college, or immersion settings.
- Create, develop, utilize, assess and adapt curriculum, lesson plans, activity sheets, teaching resources, classroom materials and publications.
- Provide effective instruction incorporating various teaching methodologies including fluent communicative techniques.
- Create, promote and maintain a supportive and nurturing learning environment.
- Document data for evaluation and reporting requirements.
- Appropriately incorporate Anishinaabe culture within program activities.
- Collaborate with Language Department staff in planning, development and implementation of community classes, activities and events.
- Work directly with Tribal Elders to reawaken their first language, and utilize technology to research, document and preserve Odawa language.
- Provide training to teacher education program and mentor language learners.

- Assist with providing information and translation consultations.
- Ability to be flexible and work as part of a team, willingness to be guided, mentored and trained, attend workshops or conferences as required.
- Maintain cooperative relationships with LTBB departments and enterprises, outside organizations, and other language programs.
- Utilize public speaking abilities to present workshops and other trainings.
- Ability to work flexible schedule to accommodate evening classes and occasional weekend events.
- Other related duties as assigned.

COMPETENCIES

Individual should possess the following: capacity to fluently speak Anishinaabemowin and possess literacy using double-vowel system for reading and writing; show understanding, respect and value of Odawa culture; establish good rapport with elders, youth and community; possess positive and outgoing interpersonal skills; computer skills.

EDUCATION AND EXPERIENCE

Demonstrated ability as a fluent Anishinaabemowin speaker with living knowledge of the Anishinaabe Culture. Anishinaabemowin proficiency, experience, and abilities. The following are preferred but not required: teacher certification, experience in teaching, experience in curriculum development, associates/bachelors degree.

CERTIFICATES, LICENSES, REGISTRATIONS

Must possess valid driver's license, be insurable, and have reliable transportation at all times.

COMMENTS

Indian preference will apply. Individual must be able to pass a criminal background investigation.